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SUBJ: FINAL NEGOTIATING PHASE OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADE
NEGOTIATIONS (MTN)

REF: A) STATE 166349, B) GENEVA 09613

1. AS REQUESTED PARAGRAPH 4 REFTEL A, EMBASSY PRESENTED
DISCUSSION URGING ACTION ON MTN NEGOTIATIONS PRIOR TO JULY 15.
GUATEMALAN VICE MINISTER OF ECONOMY BARRIOS RESPONDED THAT
CENTRAL AMERICAN DELEGATION INSTRUCTIONS ARE COMPLETELY
FLEXIBLE AND THAT HIGH LEVEL GROUP NOW IN GENEVA HAS SUFFI-
CIENT AUTHORITY TO RESPOND TO NEGOTIATING CIRCUMSTANCES.

2. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION, REFERENCE WAS MADE TO REFTEL B,
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PARAGRAPH 3 AND 4, ON POSSIBLE CENTRAL AMERICAN CONTRIBUTIONS.
THE VICE MINISTER WAS UNINFORMED. HE HAS NOT HEARD FROM THE
HIGH LEVEL CENTRAL AMERICAN DELEGATION. HE INTENDS TELEGRAPHIC
OR TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION ON ABOUT JULY 6 WITH GUATEMALAN
DELEGATE BETANCOURT (WHO WAS NAMED VICE MINISTER OF FINANCE
IN NEW CABINET).

3. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH HONDURAN MINISTER OF ECONOMY, WHO WAS IN GUATEMALA CITY FOR INAUGURATION, EMBASSY OFFICER WAS TOLD THAT NO MENTION OF POSSIBLE CACM MTN CONTRIBUTION HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM GENEVA. NONTHELESS, HE CONSIDERS PERSONALLY THAT A WRITTEN "DECLARATION OF INTENT" COMMITMENT SHOULD BE NO GREAT DIFFICULTY. HE FURTHER STATED THAT SIECA HAS PRESENTED DETAILED ANALYSIS SHOWING THAT ACCEPTANCE OF THE US SPECIFIC OFFERS AND REQUESTS WOULD HAVE LITTLE BENEFIT AND A RATHER HIGH COST TO CENTRAL AMERICA.
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